

**Flag Flying Dates**  
24<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
United Nations Day

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**Bin Collection Dates**

Teal (Tue): 1<sup>st</sup> October  
Green (Mon): 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>  
Brown (Fri): 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>  
Silver (Mon): 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

# HALAM NEWS

## October 2024

If you would like to contribute to a future edition of Halam News please send your article (as you would like it to be printed) using the details below by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month for inclusion the following month. All content is included at the discretion of the Editor.

*The Waggon*  
AT HALAM

**Latest Menu Attached**



### New Editor Appeal

I took on the role as Editor of Halam News from Karin Davis in October 2017 and as I enter my 8<sup>th</sup> year, I feel the time is now right to hand over the reins of the Halam News to some fresh blood. I plan to see out this year, but would like to hand it over ready for the start of the new year. If you would like to enquire about taking it on, please do not hesitate to come forward.



### Halam WI

We are delighted that our October meeting (on the 1st at 7:30pm) will feature local cosmologist Professor Ed Copeland with his talk on "The State of the Universe". Looking ahead to November (5th at 7:30pm) we will be hosting an evening of Christmas crafts - more details to follow. New members are always very welcome at our meetings - for more information on Halam WI please visit Facebook or Instagram @HalamWI.

### Concerts in Halam



Following a stunning piano recital by Roger Holland recently, we have two more concerts lined up at Halam Court, Back Lane, to which all members of the Halam community are warmly invited. First, coming up very soon, on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October, David Butterworth is giving one of his periodic organ recitals, featuring a mixed programme of ancient and modern, including Bach (of course) and one or two items one might not expect to hear coming out of a pipe organ. Then, a very special concert on Sunday afternoon, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, featuring a young duo of George Robbins and Christine Jiang. They are playing a carefully balanced programme of organ and piano music, with a bit of violin and saxophone thrown in for good measure! They are only 11 and 14 respectively and are proof indeed that not all youngsters fritter away their precious lives on mobile apps and computer games. Do come and support these wonderful young people. Both concerts are at 3 p.m., access as usual being around the rear of the premises.

### Halam Christmas Market

Halam Events Team are bringing back this ever-popular event again this year on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November – full details in next month's edition, but please ensure the date in your diaries for now. If you would like to have a stall or would like any further details, please email halameventsteam@gmail.com



### 'The Archaeology of Halam and district'

Many thanks to the 54 folk who came along to the talk by Dr Chris Brooke on 11 September! It was a very informative, interesting and enjoyable evening. Chris proved to be an outstandingly good speaker and kept us all enthralled with his story of the history of our village and its surroundings, well-illustrated with 77 slides. £162.26 was kindly donated by members of the audience towards the upkeep of our beautiful ancient church.

Di Parrish



### Halam School News



We are all pleased to be back in school for the Autumn Term. The first week was very exciting, as we cheered on the Tour of Britain cyclists. Before the race, we learnt about the different coloured jerseys and stages of the race, then made flags and banners to cheer them all on. We joined the community out on the road to watch everyone coming through on their way to Newark.

Last week, all Maple and Oak children visited the Baitful Hafeez Mosque in Sneinton, Nottingham. We were made to feel very welcome and were invited to observe afternoon prayers, led by the Imam, as well as ask lots of questions about the Muslim faith. We found it very interesting.



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# St Michael the Archangel



A huge thank you to all those who helped make the church look so lovely for the Harvest Festival service, it is wonderful that we have people who work to ensure that village traditions continue.

## Advance Notice

It has been agreed that as a village we will again support The Great Notts Toy Appeal. Toys will be accepted at church services on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> November and the 1<sup>st</sup> December or they can be left on the table in front of the side altar or with the churchwardens at any time. Gifts should be new and no war toys; please remember too older children and teenagers.

## October services everyone is welcome.

- 6<sup>th</sup> October** 11.00a.m. Morning Worship
- 13<sup>th</sup> October** 11.00a.m. Holy Communion
- 20<sup>th</sup> October** 11.00a.m. Informal Service
- 27<sup>th</sup> October** 11.00a.m. Sung Eucharist

**Contacts:** Priest - Rev. Mary Foden Currie 01623 479838 Wardens - Glenys Herbert 01636 812335 – Penni Wells 01636 813491

**Food Bank:** There is a collection point in the Church porch. Very many thanks to all who contribute during these very difficult times.

## Message from Rev. Mary

I have just picked a ripe, red, rosy apple off my little tree, it was so juicy and sweet. Autumn fruits and colours reveal the artist in our Creator so vividly.

On October 1<sup>st</sup> our school come into church to celebrate the harvest. I went in to welcome them all back after the holidays. It was good to see the school all decorated and with new flooring after the ‘flood.’

October 4<sup>th</sup> is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, part of his prayer reads, ‘he served you with singleness of heart and loved you, Lord, above all things.’

Anne and Howard celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> (golden) wedding anniversary on October 6<sup>th</sup> – Congratulations to you both.

October 18<sup>th</sup> sees the feast of St. Luke who was a physician who went with Paul to preach the Good News; one of the Gospels bears his name. We thank God for our National Health Service and all who tend the ill.

As the nights draw in let us be there for one another. Thank you for all you do for our food bank.

‘Merciful God teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty.’ Amen

Every blessing,

Rev. Mary

**Dingbats** – Last month’s answers were “Whos in Charge” & “1 in a Million”

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# District Cllrs Karen Roberts and Peter Harris Report for October 2024

Details are on the Council's website - see The Council - Calendar of Meetings for links to each of the papers and reports.



## Policy and Policy Improvement Committee Sept 2

The University of Nottingham/NCC's Green Awards' programme is revived but only accessible via a mobile phone app with 2 x £20 'winners' per month. There are 611 members in N&SDC. Data is self-administered without any significant audit

The 'footfall' monitor for dwell time in Southwell is installed and will be reported on. There are a number of performance reports that are below target - and these are being monitored and addressed.

The Residents' Panel is being reconstituted and the P&PIC will report back.

The Committee heard a briefing from the Portfolio Holder - Public Protection and Community Relations, and considered the - placement of the Kidney Stones at Castle House and the Council's digital strategy

The next meeting of the Committee will hear from Councillor Rowan Cozens - Portfolio Holder - Heritage, Culture and the Art, and discuss the Tenant Engagement Strategy and Food Waste

## Planning Committee Sept 5 and Oct 3

The Vineries [the 6th iteration of the plans - after the Outline application for this Allocated Site was agreed - was considered at the Sept 8 meeting. It is very disappointing that the developers, Cameron Homes, and the landowners, including Sir John Starkey and others [all of whom are listed on the publicly available application papers], did not engage with the residents to consider how to take this application forward. They put forward each changed plan - with slight adjustments - but no comprehensive review in response to the Southwell Neighbourhood Plan and local residents views.

Local matters referred to the Committee may be taken on Oct 3, the Agenda has not been published at the time of reporting back

## Active for Today [Leisure provision] Sept 10

A report from A4T was not very specific on the implications of the closure of swimming at Southwell. However, over 13,000 under 16's sessions have been lost, with 500 fewer child members. Adult membership is just 200 down. However, as result of the closure of swimming in Southwell and the significant reduction of cost of pool utilities, plus other cost reductions it seems that A4T will make a loss of just £139,000 compared with over £4k last year. Previously, pre-Covid the SLC made a surplus of £100k a year - whilst A4T lost over £6k in 2020-1. The cost of gas is just half of the previous year's cost.

A4T also employ Community Development Officers who support sports clubs in the area. Clubs are encouraged to work with these staff to support their activities including grant applications. There is a limited grant scheme for Clubs to develop their membership. There has been limited reported engagement with Clubs from our Ward

## Cabinet meeting Sept 10 and 24

There will be a review of the Community Plan. Much, if not all of the N&SDC's capital spend has been in Newark and will be in Ollerton and Clipstone, due to the previous Government's decisions. The former is controlled by a Town Board, and the latter will be soon too. Support for future initiatives in the Ward will depend, highly, on engagement with the Plan, which we will encourage.

The Council's discretionary Disabled Facilities Grant for privately owned housing is increased from £20,000 to £30,000 and the Minor Works Grant funding increased from £5,000 to £10,000.

As a result of reductions in government funding, the Council forecasted a financial deficit, back in 2021, to impact budgets from 2023/24 onwards. To tackle this deficit the Council identified areas where additional income could be made and/or savings could be achieved without impacting the quality-of-service delivery. Details of these changes - that could, without Government support - mean £3m per year by 2028 that will have to be taken from the Council's reserves, will be reported as they are being considered.

Cabinet reports on Land at Hall Farm, Edingley and the Southwell Leisure Centre remain secret, as do a significant number of other reports.

## Audit and Governance Committee Sept 25

Reviewed the complaints process of the District Council; one that is also used for investigation into reports of complaints at the parish and town councils.

## Full Council Oct 15

the agenda has not been published at the time of reporting back

Karen Roberts and Peter Harris





# Newark & Sherwood District Council

## September 2024 Report



The schedule of meetings has resumed after the August holiday period.

### **POLICY, PERFORMANCE, IMPROVEMENT Committee**

The PPI committee met on September 2nd.

Committee considered a report on the 'Residents Panel' and whether it needed a refresh. The purpose of the panel is to enable the Council to consult with residents of Newark and Sherwood who have earlier volunteered to share their views. The panel enables residents to have their say about decisions, services and plans and provide the Council with feedback which is used to improve decision making.

The Resident Panel was formed in 2018 and in December 2023 had 701 residents aged 18 years and over.

The refresh is planned to reinvigorate the Panel to ensure it is representative of the demographic profile of our community.

Currently there are only 247 residents who engage.

Personal data of the Panel is held in compliance with GDPR.

As a member of PPIC (Policy, Performance, Improvement Committee) I request that the Panel were sent the details of the Kidney Stone consultation.

£81,240 has been put into the budget, to be paid out of residents council tax, to display 3 stones carved by a local sculpture outside Castle House.

The consultation is currently live and runs until the 30th of September.

The committee will have sight of the outcome of the consultation with the final decision being taken by Cabinet.

### **HEALTH and WELLBEING**

NSDC's community plans number one objective is to 'Improve Health and Wellbeing', this also aligns with NCC strategy produced every four years.

NCC has a statutory responsibility to produce a joint Health and Wellbeing strategy which reflects local priorities.

Newark and Sherwood's six priorities are:

- 1)Improving Healthy Lifestyles
- 2)Tackling Physical Inactivity
- 3)Addressing the needs of an aging population
- 4)Improving housing and the Environmental
- 5)Ensuring the best start
- 6)Recognising Mental Health

A report going to Cabinet on the 24th of September notes the importance of partnership working with other agencies alongside its own Health Improvement team to achieve the best outcomes for residents.

The Health, Housing and Community Development team have pooled resources together to tackle food insecurity and help families with the cost-of-living crisis. A new two year post fixed term food coordinator has been created.

Addressing the needs of the aging population is co-chaired by a senior health improvement officer, with NSDC being the lead on frailty.

Improving healthy lifestyles is chaired by Active 4 Today.

Ensuring the Best Start covers children from conception up to 18 years.

Recognising Mental Health is chaired by NSDC and brings partners together to agree and work towards prevention.

### **GRANT SCHEME**

NSDC's Community Grant Scheme will shortly be receiving expressions of interest.

The scheme aims to support groups, improve the community and support the lives of residents. It commences again on September 27th.

The first 2024/2025 Grant Scheme saw 16 groups benefit from funding, supporting a wide range of community projects across the district.

Details can be found online or by calling NSDC on 01636 650000.

Cllr Penny Rainbow

District Councillor Southwell Ward

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# The Waggon

AT HALAM

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Monday & Tuesday Closed

Wednesday to Saturday 12 till 11pm (Food Served: 12 till 8.30pm)

Sunday 12-4pm (Food Served: 12-3pm)

**Two Courses £23 Three Courses £26**

### Starters

Bowl of Soup, Homemade Bread & Butter

Spiced Vegetable Filo Samosa & Mango Chutney

Cured & Smoked Trout, Chicory, Apple & Walnut Salad, Lemon Mayonnaise

Polenta Crusted Ham & Pea Cake, Poached Egg & Wholegrain Mustard Butter Sauce

Baked Gruyere & Cream Cheese Stuffed Portobello Mushroom, Herby Breadcrumbs

### Mains

Cumberland Sausage, Leek Mash, Buttered Cabbage, Crispy Onions & Gravy

Stoppard's 7oz Rump Steak, Mushrooms & Onions, Skinny Fries, Peas & Pepper Sauce  
(Steak £2.50 Supplement)

Confit Duck Leg, Cannellini Bean, Mushroom, Bacon, Peas & Baby Onion Cassoulet

Shin Beef, Real Ale & Chestnut Mushroom Pie, Homemade Flaky Pastry, Chunky Chips, Peas & Gravy

Homemade Tagliatelle, Roasted Squash, Garlic, Chilli, Parmesan & Sage

Waggon's Beef or Crispy Chicken Burger, Onion Slaw, Dill Pickles  
Barbecue Sauce & Fries (Add Bacon & Cheese £1)

Roast Hake, Spinach, Tomato & Indian Spiced Lentils, Coriander & Mint Yoghurt  
(£2.00 Fish Supplement)

Twice Baked Cheddar Cheese Soufflé, Creamy Spinach Sauce, Fries & Salad

Beer Battered Haddock & Hand Cut Chips, Chunky Tartar Sauce & Minted Mushy Peas

### Side Orders

Mixed Seasonal Vegetables £3.50 · Beer Battered Onion Rings £3.50  
Hand Cut Chunky Chips £3.50 · House Dressed Salad £3.50 · Fries £3.00

**Please note set menu prices are per person. If choosing a one course meal this will be charged individually so prices may vary. All our products are locally sourced whenever possible. All food is freshly prepared to order so your patience is appreciated. If you have any allergies or dietary requirements, please let us know and we will do our best to adapt the menu to your needs.**



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Chocolate Coffee Fondant & Coffee Cream

Warm Profiteroles, Toffee Fudge Ice Cream & Dark Chocolate Sauce

Biscoff Apple Crumble & Vanilla Ice Cream

Poached Pear Crème Brulee & Ginger Snap Biscuit

A Selection of Thaymar's Luxury Ice Creams

Wedge of Cheddar or Stilton, Balsamic Onions & Homemade Bread

### **To Accompany**

**Château Loupiac Gaudiet 75ml £5.50**

Taylors LBV Port - 50ml £3.95

### **To Finish**

Americano £2.90                  Espresso £2.50

Cappuccino £2.90                  Double Espresso £3.00                  Liqueur Coffee £6.00

Latte £2.90                  Hot Chocolate £2.95

English Breakfast Tea, Earl Grey, Peppermint, Chamomile, Green Tea,  
All £2.50 Each

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